Riga Christmas Chess Festival

15 December - 21 December

The organiser

Armenian association "Havatk"

Tournament directors

Agapi Ter-Avetisjana and Nadzeya Krauchuk

Venue

TBA



Tournaments

IM and WIM Norm Round-Robin tournament

Tournament system: 10 participants, Round-Robin system, 9 rounds.

Time control: 90 for the whole game + 30 seconds increment starting from move one.

Tie-Breaks:

- 1. Sonnebron Berger
- 2. Direct encounter
- 3. Number of wins

Participation Fee

IM tournament		
Rating	Fee	
ELO > 2351	150 EUR	
ELO 2300 - 2350	200 EUR	
ELO 2250 - 2299	250 EUR	
ELO 2200 - 2249	300 EUR	
ELO < 2200	400 EUR	

WIM tournament		
Rating	Fee	
ELO > 2151	120 <i>EUR</i>	
ELO 2100-2150	150 EUR	
ELO 2050-2099	180 <i>EUR</i>	
ELO 2000-2049	<i>210</i> EUR	
ELO 1950-1999	240 <i>EUR</i>	
ELO < 1950	300 EUR	

Open tournament

Tournament system: 10 participants, Swiss system, 9 rounds.

Time control: 90 for the whole game + 30 seconds increment starting from move one.

Tie-Breaks:

- 1. Buccholz Cut 1
- 2. Buccholz
- 3. Most black
- 4. Direct encounter

Participation Fee

OPEN tournament		
Rating	Fee	
ELO 2000-2399	55 EUR	
ELO 1600-1999	60 EUR	
ELO < 1600	70 EUR	

Prizes: The 1st place cash prize is guaranteed in the amount of 450 EUR. There are 4-6 basic prizes and special prizes. Prizes are not shared and each player can only receive one prize.

Playing Schedule

Date	Round	Time
December 15	Opening Ceremony	13:00
December 15	Round 1	13:30
December 16	Round 2	10:30
December 16	Round 3	17:00
December 17	Round 4	13:00
December 18	Round 5	10:30
December 18	Round 6	17:00
December 19	Round 7	15:00
December 20	Round 8	15:00
December 21	Round 9	13:00
December 21	Closing Ceremony	18:30

Organisers have the right to make changes in the playing schedule.

Registration

Players must register for the tournament by 05/12/2025 via email or registration link.

Payments of the participation fee should be sent to organisers via email to finalise registration.

Registration link	Phone	Email
https://forms.gle/1w8pEx NP9853gFqB6	+371 26853710	rigachristmaschessfestival@gmail.com